Regal party were met by Lieutenant-Governor and Cap-

tain Geddes, aide-de-camp, and were driven to the Gov-ernment House. They were entertained at dinner at the Government House in the evening.

FOREIGN NOTES.

Paris, Jan. 9.—The Vignaux-Schaefer billiard contest

of 3,000 points, 600 points a night, will begin on Jan-

uary 14. The game will be the balk-line, and will be played at the cale of the Grand Hotel.

Sr. Petersburg, Jan. 9 .- It is reported that the five

Nihilist assassins of Lieutenaut-Colonel Sudeikin have been arrested.

MADRID, Jan. 9.—The Council of State has decided, by a

vote of 14 against 13, that an Anglo-Spanish treaty of commerce is inexpedient. The Council of State is merely a consultative body.

CCNSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 9.—The Porte has been informed

by the United States Government that the latter maintains that the existing treaty of commerce between the

two countries must for the present remain in force, because the notice of its termination by the Government of Turkey was not given at the proper time.

THE MURDER MYSTERY AT ELMIRA.

INDICATIONS THAT THE DEAD GIRL WAS FROM

NEW-YORK.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Jan. 9 .- The police have

discovered little that throws light upon the identity of

the murdered girl who was found near the cemetery here. The most important fact that has been established

is that the girl, with a German male companion, arrived

in this city on Friday, on a New-York, Lake Eric and

Western "wildcat" train. They visited two eating shops

depot and were observed by the proprietors, who identify

the body quite positively. The couple said they were from New-York. The autopsy showed that the girl was

GATES AND FENCES IN TEXAS.

COLLEGE CLUBS CHALLENGED TO ROW.

A MURDERER CONFESSES.

OVERCOME BY COAL GAS.

WEATERS WAGES REDUCED.

THE PHILADELPHIA REPUBLICANS.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 9 .- At the Republican

convention here to-day William B. Smith, the president of Select Council, was nominated for Mayor on the first

Select Council, was nominated and 3 for Richard ballot. The vote stood 698 for Smith and 3 for Richard Paterson. George 6, Pierie was nominated for Receiver

IN AID OF THE BARTHOLDI FUND.

citizens, headed by General Sherman and including ex-Senator John B. Henderson, ex-Congressman E. O.

Stanard, Dr. W. G. Eliot, Chancellor of Washington University, G. B. Allen and James E. Notman, has seen appointed to take charge of the popular subscriptions to the Barthold Status fund, which are being made here.

A PATENT REISSUE INVALID.

announced that before March 1 he will enter a final decree

in the two barb-wire cases of the Washburn and Moen

Manufacturing Company vs. Walter Rhodes and others, which will declare the reissue of the Glidden and Kelly patents invalid.

SUICIDE OF J. W. DENT.

Daggett, Cal., Jan. 9 .- J. W. Dent commit-

ted suicide at the Alvord Mine on Saturday. The deed is

ascribed to poverty and sickness. He leaves a widow in straitened circumstances in this city. Mr. Dent belonged to the well-known family of that name.

THE OUFDNICK MILLS SALE.

PROVIDENCE, Jan. 9.-In the United States

Circuit Court to-day, argument was heard on the ap-

plication of Appleton Sturgis for an injunction against the auction sale of the Quidnick Mills, advertised for to-morrow at noon. A decision will be given to-morrow morning.

FAILURE OF A PAPER COMPANY.

Paper Company, established ten years ago, failed to-day,

assets, \$50,000. The liabilities are greater, by how much is not stated. Depression in trade is the cause of the

FRANK JAMES THOUGHT TO BE DYING.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 9 .- The Chagrin Falls

Peterson. George G. Pierie was nominated for Re of Taxes and Charles F. Warwick for City Solfeitor.

in the vicinity of the Delaware, Lacka wanna and Western

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# THE LEGISLATURE AT WORK.

A NEW CITY CHARTER PROPOSED. MORE POWER TO BE GIVEN THE MAYOR IN AP-

POINTMENTS AND REMOVALS. IFROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

ALBANY, Jan. 9.—Senator Robb and Assemblyman Roosevelt desire that the Mayor of New-York shall be the actual head of the Government. They would give him the power to appoint the heads of the city departments without check from the Aldermen. With this object in their minds they today introduced a bill authorizing the Mayor of New-York to appoint the heads of departments as

vacancies may occur, and depriving the Board of Aldermen of the right of confirmation. But the act not to go into effect until January 1, 1885. Mayor Edson's term expires with the year. It will thus be apparent to voters in New-York, if the act becomes a law, that the man they sleet Mayor next November will have this unlimited power of appointment. The bill gives the Mayor sole power to appoint

the successors of all heads of departments, and all commissioners, including the Commissioners of Excise and all police justices and city marshals. He shall in like manner appoint all members of any board or commission; also the Commissioner of Jurors, and two inspectors of weights and measures. Every head of department named, except as otherwise provided, shall hold his office for the term of I six years. The terms of office of all such heads of departments and persons when actually appointed shall begin on May 1 in the year in which the terms of their predecessors expire; but the Controller, Corporation

Counsel and Commissioner of Public Works, to be appointed on the expiration of the terms of office of the present incumbents, in December, 1884, shall hold their offices until four years from May 1, succeeding such month.

The heads of all departments except the head of Department of Street Cleaning may be removed by the Mayor for cause and after opportunity to be heard, subject, however, before such removal shall take effect, to the approval of the Governor, expressed in writing. The Mayor shall, in all cases, communicate to the Governor in writing his reasons for such removal, When a removal is so effected, the Mayor shall, upon demand of the officer removed, make in writing a public statement of the reasons therefor. No officer so removed shall again be appointed to the same office during the same term of office.

term of office.

The Head of the Department of Street Cleaning shall be subject to removal by the Mayor with the approval of the Board of Health, whenever the Mayor shall certify that in his judgment such removal is required in the public interest. If after three ballots the Board of Health shall fail to approve such removal, two affirmative rotes of members of the said shall board be sufficient for such approval.

### CONTRACT LABOR IN PRISONS.

COMMISSIONER TO INVESTIGATE THE SYSTEM

FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE. ] ALBANY, Jan. 9 .- Mr. Howe, of New-York, last summer visited Europe and while there made injury about the various systems of prison nanagement. Returning to this country he extended his investigation here. All this work was done with the intention of making aimself a competent authority to speak on the mbject of contract labor in the prisons when it came to be considered by the Legislature. The remlt of his inquiry was the conviction that no wise lecision could be made concerning contract labor system, until a thorough investigation had been made. It was, therefore, with much pleasure that, a few days ago, he received from the Prison Association a memorial acking for the appointment of a State Commission to make such an investiga-

The memorial and a bill accompanying it were presented to the Assembly this morning Mr. Howe. The memorial is by Charlton T. Lewis, Theodore W. Dwight, Sinelair Tousey, Eugene Smith and William P. Prentice. It recites that in prosecuting the work for which the association was formed they have become profoundly impressed with the necessity of a comprehensive system of productive labor in all prisons; that they have found the present system of hiring out the labor of convicts under contracts to be defective and open to grave abuses; that there is a necessity for the introduction of an improved system of labor in the prisons; and that this improved system can only be obtained through careful investigation, made by men exceptionally qualified to examine the subject. bill authorizes the Governor with the consent of the Senate to appoint a "Pension Labor Commission" of five persons, who are directed to examine into and report upon the practical operation of the present contract system.

The Commission is directed to report its conclusions and recommendations before March 1. This will give the Leglature abundant time to act upon the recommendations before adjournment, Mr. Howe recommendations before adjournment. Mr. Howe states that he desires to take the subject out of politics. The best way to accomplish that, in his opinion, is to obtain a report on the subject from an impartial commission of experts. The Legislature can then act intelligently concerning it. Mr. Howe's bill will undoubtedily be passed by the Legislature, as the Republican majority are of the opinion that this is the best way of dealing with the contract labor system.

The majority given at the polls in favor of abolishing the system was so large that the Legislature is compelled to respect the verdict. At the same time the Legislature is disinclined to abundon a system that in one direction at least has proved of benefit to the State. In 1876 the State had to expend over half a million of dollars in support of the prisons; in 1883 the prisons were self-supporting. All this is due to the establishment of supporting. All this is due to the the contract labor system in 1877.

### BILLS INTRODUCED IN BOTH HOUSES.

THER LICENSES-ELECTION OF POLICE JUSTICES-

CHEAPER GAS. [FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE ] ALBANY, Jan. 9.-Mr. Roosevelt introduced a high license act, which raises the price of beer licenses to \$200 and of licenses to sell spirituous liquors to \$500. In another bill Mr. Roosevelt strives to lessen the incurring of debt by cities; by restricting municipal judebteduess to 10 per cent of the assessed valuation.

The Harbor Masters are anxious to get some pay for their work in the last six months. Captain of the Port Cole and Harbor Master Drew have been here for several days informing members of the Legislature of their needs. Senator Fassett to-day introduced a bill appropriating \$33,500 to pay the Harbor masters the rate of \$3,500 a year. They were legislated out of office; but the men named as their successors were not confirmed. They, therefore, remain in office, but are unable to draw any salaries. A memorial was presented with the bill, signed by shipping masters, who declared that the Harbor Masters had done the work of assiguing vessels to piers and that the work had not been done by employes of the Dock Depart-

A bill was introduced in the Assembly authorizing the election of police justices in New-York, and teducing their salaries to \$5,000. Assemblyman Smith, of New-York, introduced a resolution which authorizes an investigation of the properties of water gas. Mr. Husted desired to debate the resolution; and, accordingly, companies also auxious, a bill was introduced reducing the price of gas in New-York from \$2.25 per thousand cubic feet to \$1 50.

Mr. Nason, of Brooklyn, has evidently been on the Brooklyn Bridge some cold morning when the wonderful "grip" gave out or has been frost-bitten in one of the cold cars. He expresses his opinion of the Board of Trustees by introducing a bill in the Assembly, abolishing the present Board of Bridge Trustees, and substituting for them a Board to consist of only three persons; two to be appointed by Mayor Low and one by Mayor Edson. The act would go into effect on June 1.

Senator Kiernan introduced a bill prohibiting the making of toans by banks to the amount of their deposits. Senator Thomas had a bill providing for the taxation of telegraph poles as "real estate."

of a Central freight train from Savannah jumped the track at 5 o'clock this morning, after crossing a high bridge over the Oemulgee River, at the outskirt of this city, leaving the rear of the train on the bridge. The 6:40 Georgia passenger train, which uses the same bridge, was not properly signalled, and ran into the freight train, splintering

COMMITTEES IN SESSION.

ALBANY, Jan. 9-Although there is plenty of material in the shape of bills for the Legislature to work upon, only three committees sat this afternoon. These were the Senate Finance, Assembly Ways and Means, and Cities committees. The Senate Committee and the Ways and Means Committee inspected the Capitol and agreed to report to both Houses to-morrow a bill appropriating \$250,000 to continue the work. The Assembly \$250,000 to continue the work. The Assembly Cities Committee agreed to report Mr. Van Allen's bill introduced to-day prohibiting the tunnelling through of Washington Square Park or Union Square. Mr. Roosevelt brought up his bill giving the next Mayor of New-York absolute power in making appointments, and urged immediate action by the committee. Messrs, Haggerty, Clark and Coffey, Democrats, vigorously protested against what they termed such hasty action. It was then agreed to give a hearing to the Mayor and Aldermen of New-York, and others interested on January 17, at Albany. at Albany.

### NEARLY KILLED BY A ROBBER.

EDWIN KELLAND, OF KINGSTON, FOUND BADLY POUNDED WITH A BEER FAUCET.

Kingston, N. Y., Jan. 9 .- A bold robbery and brutal attempt to murder was committed in the upper portion of this city sometime during Monday night or early Tuesday morning. The liquor shop of Kelland Bros, not being opened at the usual hour yest rday morning, suspicion was aroused. But no person attempted to force an entrance until late in the afternoon. About 4 o'clock L. B. Smith and another person climbed to an upper window, and entered the sleeping room of Edwin Kelland, one of the proprietors. They were horrified to find him lying unconscious, with a frightful wound in his head and other severe bruises. The man seemed to be dying, and was mouning in great agony. Blood was bespattered over the bed and different parts of the room, even on the ceiling; it also covered a large brass faucet that lay on the floor beside the bed. Everything indicated that a desperate struggle had taken place not many hours before, Surgeons were promptly summoned. The skull was found crushed in, one hand was terribly mangled and several other bruises were inflicted. The shop was at once placed under strict surveillance, nothingbeing allowed to be moved inside and no

The motive for the crime was soon found to have been robbery. From a trunk or box belonging to Kelland had been taken about \$80 in money, a fur hat and coat, a watch and chain and other articles of wearing apparel. Kelland closed his shop at 11 o'clock on Monday night. A watchman who was passing later saw a man come out and walk away. This person is now believed to have been the assailant. Suspicion points to one Charles Crosby as the guilty person. He is a young man who came here two or three months ago and for two months past has been employed at this saloon in a menial capacity. He appeared to be a quiet, ignorant man, though inofiensive. He disappeared on the morning of the tragedy, and has not been seen since. A description of Crosby has been telegraphed to the police in other cities. The faucet, which obviously was the instrument used in the commission of the deed, is an ordinary beer barrel faucet which had been in use about the saloon for some time past, but had been missing for some days previous.

The injured man appeared to suffer intense agony Tuesday night. Once while apparently unconscious he exclaimed, "Oh, don't, Charlie! don't strike me with the hammer again. Kill me but don't let me suffer this way." The affair has created much excitement in this part of the city. ing later saw a man come out and walk away. This

### FROM PRISON TO THE STAGE

TERESA STURLA COMES TO NEW-YORK TO STUDY FOR THE OPERA.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Baltimore, Jan. 9.—Teresa Sturla left Baltimore last night for New-York to study for the tage. She does so with the advice of the ladies of Chieago who took such an interest in her during her famou trial for the murder of Charles Stiles. She takes up her quarters in a retired portion of the suburbs, where she will receive instruction in instrumental and vocal music from a competent teacher. Her object is to achieve laurels upon the Italian operatic stage. She possesses the natural advantage of being an Italian and speaking

the language fluently. After completing a primary course of instruction in New-York, she will go to Italy to finish her education under the tattion of some of the masters. She will be gone a couple of years, and expects to return a full-fledged prima doman.

Her expenses will be defrayed by her lady friends. Since her return from prison her conduct has been most exemplary, although great efforts were mide by some of her former companions to make her return to her life of shame. She expresses determination to reform herself entirely. She states in an interview that last Monday she received a telegram from the famous Freedy Gebbart soliciting her return to Chleago and her old habits. While in New-York she will live under an assumed name so as to escape further persecutions.

### THE DISPUTED NEW-HAVEN PULPIT.

IBY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE. New Haven, Jan. 9 .- The trial of H. H. Phillips, John T. Williams and John Norcome, the trustees of Bethel A. M. E. Church, who on Sunday, December 30, elected their newly appointed pastor, the Rev. John Stanbury, from the church pulpit and building, has now occupled two days and does not appear to be near a conclution. The story of the assault was repeated a dozen times on the stand, always with humorous enthusiasm by
the different witnesses. The Rev. Mr. Stanbury produced his certificate of appointment from Bishop Brown.
He was subjected to a long, rigorous cross-examination.
The minister's comised, perceiving the object of the
Fabian tactics of the defence, prayed out a writ of mandamus to-day, summoning the trustees to show why Mr.
Stanbury should not occupy the pulpit of Bethel Church
on next Sunday. The writ was made returnable Friday
atternoon. times on the stand, always with humorous enthusiasm by

### SUING FOR RIGHT OF DOWER.

PROVIDENCE, Jan. 9.—In the United States Circuit Court this afternoon a hearing was had in the bill in equity of Sarah D. Mathewson, of Attleboro, Mass., against the Phonix Iron Foundry, for the distribution of dower. The ailidavit of the complainant was to the effect that she was married to Henry C. Mathewson, late of Providence, on August 18, 1859, and lived with him till just before his death, on November 8, 1878; that Mr. Mathewson, on February 7, 1867, was possessed of real estate in Providence, now held and occupied by the Phoenix Iron Foundry. She asks that the right of dower may be conveyed to her, and that she may share in the receipts and profits of the estate. The answer to the bill, reclies the affidavit of Mr. Mathewson, that he never markets. ried the complainant, that they never lived together as man and wife, and hence, that she had no claim upon the property. The case was held for advisement.

## A TROY WOMAN'S BENEFICENCE,

TROY, N. Y., Jan. 9 .- Mrs. Richard P. Hart, f this city, has given \$10,000 to the Young Men's Association to enable them to make their library free. The change will be made on September 12, when the semi-centennial of the organization of the institution occurs.

## TO SUCCEED GOVERNOR ROBINSON.

Springfield, Mass., Jan. 9.—The Twelfin District Republicans at Chester to-day nominated Francis W. Rockwell, of Pittsfield, for Congress in place of Mr. Robinson, who resigned to accept the Governorship.

## SMALLPOX IN PENNSYLVANIA.

GIRARDVILLE, Penn., Jan. 9 .- Smallpox is rapidly spreading here, and there is much alarm. The schools are all closed. Neighboring towns will take pre-

### CRUSHED UNDER A FALLING ROOF.

Catawissa, Penn., Jan. 9.-William Mayers desired to debate the resolution; and, accordingly, its consideration was postponed to another day. With a view, doubtless, of rendering the coal gas down the roof caused it to fall in, crushing the men under it.

### THE LAST OF THE CHINESE TRADERS,

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 9.—The steamship Tokio, shich arrived here yesterday, brought only twenty-one Chinese "traders." It is probable that the papers held by them are the last of the famous Canton traders certifi-cates that will be presented here.

RAILROAD COLLISION ON A BRIDGE.

Macon, Ga., Jan. 9 .- An engine and four cars man, at Ninety-eighth-st., last night. Holmes was arrested.

senger train, which uses the same bridge, was not properly signalled, and ran into the freight train, splintering two box cars. Engineer Thomas and the fireman on the passenger engine jumped before reaching the bridge. Thomas was slightly injured. No passengers were hurt.

# THE AFFAIRS OF HARVARD.

PRESIDENT ELIOT ON COLLEGE SPORTS-THE TREAS-URER'S REPORT.

Boston, Jan. 9 .- The annual report of the president of Harvard College shows a considerable decrease in the number of students from the New-England States and a remarkable increase in the attendance from the Middle States. The completion of the medical school, at a cost of \$321,500. is noted as the chief incident in building during the year. There has been a financial deficit of about \$1,000 in the law school. An endowment of

\$100,000 is needed for this department.

Intercollegiate contests in athletic sports demand, says the president, further regulation, by agreement be-tween the colleges whose students take part in them. They are degrading, both to the players and spectators, if conducted with brutality or in a tricky and jockeying spirit, and they become absurd if some of the competitors employ trainers and play with professional players, while others do not. The authorities of Harvard are in favor of forbidding college clubs or crews to employ trainers, to play or row with "professionals," or to compete with clubs or crews who adopt either of these practices. They clubs or crews who adopt either of these practices. They are opposed to all money-making at intercollegiate contests, and to the acceptance of money, or grantitous service from railroads or hotels, and, therefore, to all exhibitions or contests which are deliberately planned so as to attract a multitude, and thereby increase the gatemoney. In short, they believe that college sports should be conducted as the amusements of amateurs, and not as the business of professional players.

The treasurer's report shows general investments of \$4.625,000, giving an income of \$248,000. Subscriptions to found new funds or to increase the old ones have been made during the year to the amount of nearly \$100,000, while gifts for immediate use have been received amounting to \$63,000. The report, on the whole, is a favorable one, and indicates a flourishing state of affairs.

### A BARN-BURNING TRAMP CAUGHT.

NEWBURG, N. Y., Jan. 9 .- A tramp covered with vermin, shirtless and otherwise half-clad, called a few days ago on Farmer Schoonmaker at Gardiner, Ulster County. The weather was very cold but the farmer could not keep him all night as he desired. He then went to the barn of a neighbor. This was Saturday night, and the next morning the thermometer registered fourteen degrees below zero. The cold weather, however, did not keep the owners of the barn from attending to their religious duties as they regularly do; and when they returned home from church at noon they found their barn in ashes. The tramp was suspected and a search was instituted for him. He was found in Farmer Travis's barn a sbort distance off, stowed away in a bunk under some hay; and when the pitchfork that was in the hands of a robust searcher struck him, he yelled and emerged from his hiding-place. He was found almost naked, having no shirt, no stockings, no shoes and no hat. He admitted firing the barn but said it was an accident. He had built the fire in the barn to get warm but it got the best of him. This he had often done, and only once before had a barn. turned home from church at noon they found their barn This he had often done, and only once before had a barritake fire; then he put it out. The tramp is now in Kings ton Jail.

### GOVERNOR WALLER'S ANNUAL MESSAGE.

Hartford, Jan. 9.—Both houses of the Legislature met this morning and organized. The Senate chose Senator Lorin A. Cooke President pro tem. In the House Henry B. Harrison, of New-Haven, was chosen Speaker. At noon Governor Waller was escorted to the State

Capitol by the horse-guards and the foot-guards. Both houses met in joint convention to hear the Gov-ernor's message. He disapproves of blennial sessions. The income of the State last year was \$1,617,800, a falling off of \$102,638, which is due to the fallure of some railroads to pay their taxes, and to the reduction of the tax on mutual insurance companies. The balance in the treasury now is \$837,869. The State debt is \$4,272,100, a decrease of \$318,500 during the year. The Governor favors a commission to revise the tax laws. He advises against letting savings banks buy unsecured notes. These banks now have \$822,679,063 of assets. He advocates letting women participate in school affairs. He favors the rearrangement of the terms of court, and having Supreme judges relieved of circuit duty. He closes by recommending the improvement of the State election laws. tax on mutual insurance companies. The balance

### A RAILROAD ACCIDENT DUE TO SNOW.

Easton, Penn., Jan. 9 .- An east bound coal train on the New-Jersey Central Railroad last night, at Hampton, crossed over a switch and struck the third car of a passenger train that was approaching the station. Thomas Green, conductor, had his skull fractured and was

## VIEWS OF MARYLAND'S GOVERNOR.

Annapolis, Md., Jan. 9 .- Governor McLane, n his inaugural address delivered before the assembled Legislature to-day, favored maintaining schools, approved trades unions and the collection of labor statistics, urged economy in the State Government, advised vigilance in making every one pay just faxes, and said he would in time recommend improving the election laws.

### CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS.

Albany, Jan. 9 .- Silas W. Burt, Chief Examiner of the State Civil Service Commission, gives no-tice that a competitive examination will be held at the office of the Commission in the Capitol on January 24 at 10 a.m., at which applicants for appointment as clerks in the first three grades—messengers, orderlies in public buildings, and guards in State prisons—will be tested as

#### THE POPE'S PORTRAIT FOR THE COUNCIL BALTIMORE, Jan. 9 .- The Sun has the follow-

ing from Rome: "The Pope has presented to Archbishop Gibbons a life-size portrait of himself, for the Catholic Council to be convened in Baltimore in November next, on the ninety-fifth anniversary of the Metropolitan

# THE ATALANTA REACHES CHARLESTON.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 9 .- Jay Gould's yacht, the Atalanta, arrived here from the Delaware at about 3 o'clock this afternoon, with George Gould on board. She experienced heavy weather during the passage. She remains here awaiting orders.

### A HERMIT BURNED TO DEATH.

Samuel's Depot, Ky., Jan. 9.-Robert Runner, aged eighty-five, living alone, was found this morn-ing burned to a crisp, his clothing having taken fire during the night. The remains were found lying in front of an old fashioned lireplace.

### BOSTON MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION.

Boston, Jan. 9 .- At the annual meeting of the Boston Merchants' Association to-day the following officers were elected; Augustus Whittemore, president; A. K. Tolman, first vice-president; Joseph W. Woods, treasurer; B. K. Moore, cierk, and twelve directors.

### KILLED WITHOUT CAUSE.

Jacksonville, Fla. Jan. 9.-H. H. Fairbanks, a highly esteemed railroad unachinist, was shot and killed last night near this city, by C. C. Seeba, a young man from Walhalla, S. C. The murder was wanton and without cause. Scebn was arrested.

### SENTENCED FOR MANSLAUGHTER.

MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., Jan. 9 .- This afternoon Jacob E. Fireing was sentenced to two years' imprison-ment at hard labor in the State prison for the killing of Charles Clayton in Burlington in May last. His counsel will apply for a new trial.

### A CATHOLIC BISHOP APPOINTED.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 9.-Advices received here from Rome contirm the report that Monsignor Dominicus Manuey, Vicar-Apostolic of Brownsville, Texas, has been created Bishop of Mobile, Alabama.

### PRESIDENT OF A BOARD OF TRADE. PROVIDENCE, Jan. 9.—Charles H. Merriman was to-day re-elected president of the Providence Board of Trade.

KILLED BY A STREET-CAR. Walter Holmes, the driver of a street-ear on the Third Avenue line, ran over and killed an unknown

# THE EGYPTIAN CABINET.

NAMES OF THE PROBABLE MINISTERS.

AFFAIRS IN THE SOUDAN-BAKER PACHA'S CAM-PAIGN AGAINST EL MAHDI. CAIRO, Jan. 9 .- Nubar Pacha assumed office to-

day as Prime Minister of the Egyptian Cabinet. Reports concerning the composition of the new Cabinet differ, but it will probably be composed as follows: Sabet Pacha, Minister of the Interior, Mahmoud Falake Pacha, who was Minister of Public Works under Arabi Pacha, Minister of Pub-lic Works

Lie Works,
Abdel-el-Kader, Minister of War,
Mustapha Pacha Fehmi, Minister of Finance. The Khedive, in a conversation with The London Times's correspondent, said he was convinced that he was acting aright in accepting unreservedly the advice of England, whose motives were only good, and therefore identical with his own. England

alone, he said, helped him in his hour of adversity. The recruiting of black troops under Zebehe Pacha has been abandoned. The Government is undecided as to whether it will recall Baker Pacha from Suakim, whither he has gone to arrange for a campaign against El Mahdi. A military commission under Sir Evelyn Wood is to be appointed, which will be charged with the necessary arrangements for the evacuation of the Soudan by the Egyptian troops, to accomplish which will, it is thought, require fully one year.

LONDON, Jan. 9 .- General "Chinese" Gordon, writing upon Egyptian affairs, declares that Egypt must abandon the provinces of Darfoor and Kordofan, but should retain possession of Eastern Soudan, as, if El Mahdi should be allowed to establish himself there, the effect on Egypt would be disastrous, The Arabs on both sides of the Red Sea would, he said, in that event, be likely to catch the infection of rebellion, and the whole "Eastern Question " would be re-opened. General Gordon considers the choice of Nubar

Pacha as Prime Minister a most judicious one.

Paris, Jan. 9 .- The French press bitterly attack England for abandoning the Soudan to El Mahdi. VIENNA, Jan. 9 .- A telegram received here from Alexandria states that the King of Abyssinia has left Adua in command of an army and is marching on Massowah. Turkish gunboats have been sent to the Arabian ports on the Red Sea where the emmissaries of El Mahdi are exciting the populace to

### THE SITUATION IN TONQUIN.

THE FRENCH IN SONTAY. -TROUBLE BETWEEN ANAMESE AND BLACK FLAGS.

LONDON, Jan. 9 .- The Times's dispatch from Hai-Phong, Tonquin, dated January 5, says that General Bichot holds Sontay with one thousand French troops, and the country for ten miles aroundSontay is clear of the enemy. The city of Hung-Hoa, above Sontay, on the Red River, to which it was believed the Black Flags retreated after being driven from Sontay by Admiral Courbet, has been abandoned, Large numbers of Anamese are flocking to the French headquarters at Ha-Noi, bringing with them Chinese stragglers. It is stated that the dissensions between the Anamese and the Black Flags caused the loss of Sontay.

Hong Kog, Jan. N 9 .- An explosion which occurred at Ha-Hoi on December 28 destroyed two batteries of French artillery. One man was killed and three others injured. Several horses and the

barracks of the battery were badly damaged. Two thousand Anamese attacked a French post, which was held by fifty marines. After several hours of hard fighting, the enemy retired with the loss of one hundred in killed and wounded. A colloss of one hundred in killed and wounded. A column of French troops under the command of Colonnel Massiau, has left Ha-Hoi to hunt pirates on the Red River and it may possibly advance to Hung-Hoa, above Sontay. Colonel Brionial recently over ook some bands of pirates in the province of Nam-Dith, which retired before the French troops to a strong position, where they were attacked, and after severe fighting for several hours the French were successful in routing them. The French cruiser Mytho has arrived at Hai-Phong.

### M. SCHOLL WOUNDED IN A DUEL,

Paris, Jan. 9 .- A duel with swords between M. Aurelien Scholl, the journalist, and Count Albert de printed in the Eccucinent. M. Scholl was wounded in the ladies, Hare by name, living at Lawrence and Jeffers side, Count de Dion's sword breaking in the thrust and a fragment being left in the body of the former.

Aurelian Scholl is a well-known French Journalist and literary man. He was born in Bordeaux in 1833. He went to Paris in 1850 and joined the editorial corps of the Corsair, which was suppressed two years later by the Emperor. He subsequently became a member of the editorial staff of the Paris, and was successively attached citiorial staff of the Pairs, and was successively attached to several popular papers, especially the Figure. His carreer has been characterized by quarrels, disputes and duels. Much attention was paid to a report of his marriage to Miss frence Perkins, the daughter of a rich London brewer, in 1866, and to the his wants which grew out of the incident. M. Scholl has been a regular editorial assistant on the staff of the Eccament since 1872, and was at one time the chief manager of the Voltaire. He is known as the author of a large number of dramatic, critical and historical works.

### AN EXPEDITION TO FIND GREELY.

LONDON, Jan. 9 .- The Press Association reorts that an officer of the American navy has arrived a Dundee, Scotland, for the purpose of chartering a whaling steamer to engage in the search for the Greely Arctic explorers. It is expected that Captain Adams, a Scottish Arctle explorer, will be appointed to the command of the expedition, as he has expressed a belief that the Greely party is still alive, and desires to lead a searching party.

### IRISH AGITATION AND POLITICS.

London, Jan. 9.—The Dublin correspondent of The Times states that the actions of the police at the meetings of the Nationalists and Orangemen at Droore on January 1 have shaken public confidence in their he orangenen with marked brutality while clearing the treet. It is generally believed that they sympathize with

Conk, Jan. 9 .- It is announced that Francis Mahoney, of Blarney, County Cork, will be the Liberal candidate for the scat in the House of Commons was made vacant by the resignation of John Daly.

VISITING VICTOR EMANUEL'S TOMB. ROME, Jan. 9 .- The pilgrimage to the tomb of King Victor Emanuel took place to-day. Pilgrims arrived from all parts of Italy, and it is estimated that fully sixty thousand were in the procession, representing the six great provinces of the kingdom. Large deputations were also present from Constantinople, Vienna, Corfu, Gibraltar, Trieste, Buda-Pesth, Frankfort, Salonica, Odessa, Paris, Tunis, Alexandria and Tangiers. The procession marched through the principal streets of the city to the Pantheon, and for two hours defiled before the monument erected over the tomb of the late monarch, upon which were placed four hundred wreaths and other floral tributes. During the ceremony a man climbed to the top of the obelisk opposite the Pantheon, and attempted to stab himself, but was secured by the soldiers in attempted.

GENERAL BADEAU FALSELY ACCUSED. HAVANA, Jan. 9 .- General Badeau, the United States Consul-General here, has compelled a Havana commercial paper to retract a false statement which it had published to the effect that General Badeau had protested in the name of American merchants again njury sustained by commerce from the strike of the

#### DOINGS IN THE DOMINION. MONTREAL, Jan. 9 .- In The New York Graphic case, Mr. Riddle, the secretary and treasurer of the com-pany, gave testimony touching the liabilities of the company. The petitioners' case was declared closed, they

reserving the right to proceed with a commission rega-toire, the proceedings on which are to be returned before the court not later than February 8. KINGSTON, Ont., Jan. 9 .- William and John Shercook, of Home Island, left Clayton, N. Y., on Thursday, for home on the boat. A snow-storm came on, and losing their way they became separated. John became exhausted, dug a hole in the snow and crept into it. He was found the next day by some fishermen on

Grindstone Island in an almost unconscious condition. He was terribly frost-bitten, and when taken home his feet and hands dropped off in the house. Search was made for William, but without success until yesterday, when his body was found buried in the snow. TORONTO, Jan. 9.—The Governor-General and Lady Lansdowne, Lord and Lady Melgund and suite, arrived at the Union Station this morning. The VicePRICE THREE CENTS.

MR. THOMPSON'S ORDERS.

HOW HE LOOKS AFTER HIS FRIENDS

PUBLIC FUNDS USED TO BENEFIT PER SONAL ASSOCIATES.

EVADING THE LAW CONCERNING CONTRACTS-OVER

400 ORDERS GIVEN TO RICHARD A. CUNNINGHAM. Many interesting facts in regard to Commissioner Thompson's methods of evading the statute relating to contracts are given below. The \$999 order system is shown to be used extensively to benefit his personal and political associates. Richard A. Cunningham is especially favored. A complete list of the orders given to Mr. Cunningham for cleaning and repairing sewers and restoring pavements is printed herewith. Since Mr. Thompson became Commissioner he has paid Mr. Cunningh am on these orders over \$223,000. The loose methods of making out orders and inspecting Mr. Cunningham's work are shown by extracts from unpublished testimony given before the Senate Committee. During the recent campaign Mr. Thompson increased the inspectors on the re-

THE MEN WHO PROFIT BY THE ORDERS. A RICH MINE FOR MEMBERS OF MR. THOMPSON'S POLITICAL CLIQUE.

extra work was being done.

paving fund from one to eight, although no

in excellent health. Two wounds were found, one on the forehead and one back of the ear. Neither were fractures One of the many features of Hubert O. Thompforchead and one back of the ear. Neither were fractures of the skull and did not cause death. Either might have stunned the girl, who afterward might have been frozen to death, after being thrown under the bridge.

The hands, which were calloused, would indicate that she was a working-girl. The girl is said to have had a gold watch, gold bracelets, a gold ring and some money. All of these were gone when the body was found. It is hardly possible that the deed was committed for purposes of robbery. The conductor of the "wildcat" train is likely to prove an important witness, but he has not yet been found. The shoes worn by the deceased girl bore the marig of a New-York manufacturer, whose goods are not handled in this city. son's administration of the Public Works Department which have called forth severe censure is his system of giving out work and purchasing supplies on orders so as to evade the law in regard to contracts. Twice charges have been presented to the Mayor on this subject, but no official action has been taken further than to call Mr. Thompson's attention to the matter on one occasion and to receive his explanation. It was almost the only subject which Senator Grady's committee undertook to investigate, as nothing was said at that time in regard to unbalanced bids. That committee de-GALVESTON, Jan. 9. - A dispatch to veloped some facts showing that inspectors were The News from Austin says: "In the State Legisbeing paid by the city who were at the same time lature to-day, Senator Traylor introduced a bill providing actually engaged in the performance of similar for the removal within one year of all gates and obstruc-tions across all classes of roads in Texas. The greatest work elsewhere, and were paid for that work ; also struggle of the session will probably be caused by the efforts to pass the bill. Its adoption will compel pasture owners to divide up their holdings, and will to a large extent solve the fence question by cutting the fences accroding to law." that Thomas Leahy and Charles Naide were employed during election time without being required to do any work for the city. But the time of the committee was principally devoted to an endeavor to ascertain the relations between Mr. Thompson Galveston, Jan. 9 .- A dispatch to The News and the men to whom he gives orders for work and om Austin says: "It leaked out last night that a Com-dissioner representing the owners of \$25,000,000 worth supplies that should by any decent and honorable regard for the law be purchased under contract at a f cattle was appointed some weeks ago to influence the public letting. Considerable testimony was taken on this point when the committee suddenly ad-journed to meet at the call of the chairman, and the press of this State, so as to create a sentiment favoring rigorous enactments against fence-cutters. The Commis-sioner yesterday made a report, which is said to have been satisfactory."

matter was dropped. ENRICHING PERSONAL FRIENDS.

It is a noteworthy fact that the orders given out PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 9 .- The boat club of by Commissioner Thompson go to his personal and he University of Pennsylvania has issued a circular, adpolitical associates. Maurice B. Flynn and Richard dressed to all the boat clubs of the various colleges in A. Cunningham reap a rich harvest from these the United States, in which it says that, having chalorders. They are both members of the County Delenged Yale in 1882, and Harvard twice in 1883, which mocracy Executive Committee and Mr. Thompson's hallenges were declined, the club now issues a general personal associates. M. J. Treacy and Patrick challenge to any college or university to row an eightchairenge to any college or university to row an eight-oared shell race, with coxswains, for the championship, over any distance of water, and at such time and place as may be mutually agreed upon. Failing to receive an affirmative answer to this general challenge within sixty days, the ciub proposes to claim the championship of American colleges in eight oared shell ro ving, and will call npon public opinion to sustain them in that position. Collins have received many orders for coal, for which Mr. Thompson has pald more than the price paid under contracts made by other departments of the city government. Both Mr. Collins and Mr. Treacy live in Mr. Thompson's Assembly District, and are members of the County Democracy Executive Committee. Another member from the same district is W. D. Bruns, jr., and from him Mr. TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Jan. 9.-Perry Manis, of Thompson has purchased wood on orders to the Anderson, in jail, charged with the murder of Susan Nolamount of many thousand dollars. William Phelan, son, whose body was found concealed in a rayine near from whom much stone has been purchased on this city, has confessed that he is guilty of the crime, and orders, is also a member of the organization of that others, whom he refuses to name, are implicated. which Mr. Thompson is the "boss." Frederick Last night two officers took the prisoner to Noblesville, where Manis claimed he would find letters that would convict his accomplices. On arriving at Noblesville the prisoner tried to escape, but stumbled and was recaptured. He was brought here again this morning. Thilemann, jr., who is kept busy laying Croton pipes on orders inst ad of contracts, is a member of Mr. Thompson's organization. William Minnick, who was recently paid on one day \$1,500 for painting given to him on orders, and who does a great deal of this work on orders, lives in the same district with PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 9,-This morning a po-Mr. Thompson and is one of his warm supporters. Others of Mr. Thompson's personal and political as, sociates who have rec ived orders are A. Clinchey, sts., had not been about their house for some time. He

noticed that gas was escaping from the keyhole and bursting open the door found both ladies overcome by gas from a stove. One was revived, but this afternoon the other was still unconscious.

In fact, this order system is almost exclusively confined to Mr. Thompson's political supporters. In a few cases friends of Maurice B. Flynn, or men who purchase supplies from his firm, are on the LEWISTON, Me., Jan. 9 .- A notice, posted in order list; w ile occasionally a relative of one of the Bates Mills to-day, announced a reduction of 5 per cent in wages, to take effect next Monday. The pay of Mr. Thompson's bureau officers comes in for a share of this business. It is this singular fact in rega d to the gingham weavers was reduced 10 per cent a few weeks ago, and enough weavers left to stop 125 looms. this \$999 order system, that it is made in almost every instance to benefit a personal or political Agent Earker says the prices of ginghams are so low that the mills must cut down wages or stop. The Bates Mills are prepared to run this winter and make nothing, but they cannot run at a loss. associate of Mr. Thompson, which has caused so many people to be suspicious of it, even when not in possession of positive information of the loss that it has caused the city.

#### PROSPERITY OF THE SMITHS. A great deal of the contract work in the Public

Works Department also goes to Mr. Thompson's active political supporters, and large sums are paid for "professional services" to the same class of men. For instance, during the three months ending on December 31, W. V. Smith was paid for his services as a surveyor \$1,410; and during the year 1883 he was paid nearly \$12,000; and no doubt he St. Louis, Jan. 9.-A committee of leading has claims for services the warrants for which have not yet been drawn. Douglas Smyth also drew a large sum for surveying and superintendence, while J. McIntyre Smith and other members of the Smith family were almost equally well favored, W. V. Smith is a member of the County Democracy and Mr. Thompson's personal, friend, while Donglas Smyth is Mr. Thompson's cousin. KEOKUK, Iowa, Jan. 9 .- Judge McCrary has

The clause in the city charter which was designed to prevent work and supplies being purchased for any considerable amount except by contract reads

Whenever any work is necessary to be done to complete or perfect a particular job, or any supply is needful for any particular purpose, which work and job is to be unlertaken or supply furnished for the cerporation, and the everal parts of the said work or supply shall together nvolve the expenditure of more than one thousand tollars the same shall be by contract . founded on ealed bids or proposals.

Another provision in the charter makes it a misdemeanor for any public officer to "evade" the law or by neglect of daty to allow the public property to be lost, and also prohibits any officer from being directly or indirectly interested in the performance of any contract or the furnishing of any work or supply to the city. In giving out his orders Mr. Thompson has kept them within the statutory limit of \$1,000, though it has often been found necessary to divide a work up for that purpose. For making such division he was called to account before the Mayor, but no testimony was ever taken. The records of the Finance Department, however, show that orders have frequently been given to cover what is practically the same work, the combined amounts of which exceed many times the statutory

limit of \$1,000. MR. CUNNINGHAM'S MANY ORDERS. INDEPENDENCE, Mo., Jan. 9.-Frank James's The order system has been used greatly to the advantage of Richard A. Cunningham. Since Mr. Thompson came into office Mr. Cunningham has been paid up to January 1, on orders drawn on two accounts, the sum of \$223,414 69. In some cases these orders were made out for exactly \$999-as near as possible to the statutory limitation. This money was paid out for cleaning and repairing sewers and for repaving over street openings. Mr. Thompson has a pay-roll of laborers on cleaning and repairing sewers, but the work is principally given to Mr. Canningham. It runs with remarkable evenness for Mr. Cunningham. In 1881 his orders on this fund amounted to \$52,000; in 1882, \$49,460; and in 1883 \$50,000. The other work

condition is growing worse very fast, and his friends are about giving up hopes of his recovery. CHARGE AGAINST TANNER IGNORED. CORRY, Penn., Jan. 9 .- The Grand Jury of

# Chantanqua County, N. Y., ignored the charge brought by a Jamestown, N. Y., physician against Dr. Tanner, and the case was thrown out. TRUSTEE IN A. B. JOHNSON'S STEAD,

UTICA, N. Y., Jan. 9.-Judge Merwin appointed A. C. Milier, of Utica, trustee of certain funds, this afternoon, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Arthur B. Johnson, who committed suicide a short time

The report that \$65,000 of the missing securities of the McDonnell estate had been found in New-York City is anthoritatively denied.

Graph of the Mr. Cuuningham on orders is for restoring and repaying over street openings. This has anthoritatively denied.